

Other Cultural Activities

| | 2006/07 Actual | 2007/08 Current | 2008/09 Requested | 2008/09 Approved | Percent Change |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Revenues</i> | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous | \$57 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0% |
| General Fund | 402,943 | 483,713 | 529,124 | 511,199 | 6% |
| Total | \$403,000 | \$483,713 | \$529,124 | \$511,199 | 6% |
| <i>Expenses</i> | | | | | |
| United Arts Council | \$130,000 | \$135,000 | \$151,128 | \$142,000 | 5% |
| Historical Museum | 70,000 | 70,000 | 78,000 | 72,100 | 3% |
| National Register | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 0% |
| Newton-Conover Auditorium | 10,658 | 10,871 | 24,350 | 23,547 | 117% |
| Patrick Beaver Library | 187,272 | 190,342 | 198,146 | 196,052 | 3% |
| Salt Block Foundation | 70 | 72,500 | 72,500 | 72,500 | 0% |
| Total | \$403,000 | \$483,713 | \$529,124 | \$511,199 | 6% |

Budget Highlights

The County provides annual funding to the United Arts Council, the designated County partner appointed by the North Carolina State Legislature to receive State funds, match them with local government funds and sub grant them for cultural projects in Catawba County. Catawba County Funds are used to match North Carolina Grassroots Arts Funds for Projects Pool Grants.

Both the Salt Block, which houses the Arts and Science Center, the Hickory Museum of Art, the United Arts Council and funded affiliates, and the Newton-Conover Auditorium receive County funding toward the upkeep and maintenance of these facilities. Annual funding is also provided for the Historical Museum operating costs and for the National Register of Historic Homes in the County.